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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of U.S. Application 10/060,208 filed February 1, 2002, entitled Methods for Sterilizing Tissues.

1. Please consider and enter the attached Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.114.
2. Extension of Time: The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply. Applicants petition for a two-month extension of time from February 1, 2006 to April 1, 2006, the fee for which is **\$225.00** as set out in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a). If Applicants have overlooked the need for an additional extension of time, please consider this a petition therefore. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.
3. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. 1.16):

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Remaining		Previously Paid	Extra	Rate	Total Fees
Total Claims	33	minus	365	0	\$50.00 each=	0.00
Independent Claims	2	minus	9	0	\$200.00 each=	0.00
First presentation of Multiple dependent claim					\$360.00	0.00
Sub-total =						0.00
Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity						0.00
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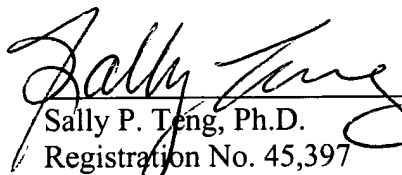
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4. Additional papers submitted:
 - (i) Communication Filed With Request for Continued Examination
5. Fee Payment: The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **\$620.00** to Deposit Account No. 50-0310 for payment of the two-month extension of time fee (\$225.00) and the request for continued examination filing fee (\$395.00), both fees at the small entity rate.
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7. Constructive Petition: **Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **Constructive petition for extension of time** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

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